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UTAH BOARD OF NURSING EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

April 20, 2007

Room 474 – 4th Floor – 7:30 A.M. Heber Wells Building Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 7:38 a.m. **ADJOURNED:** 8:53 a.m.

Bureau Manager: Laura Poe

Board Secretary: Shirlene Kimball

Conducting: Diane Forster-Burke

Board Members Present: Diane Forster-Burke

Pam Rice Mary Williams Helen Zsohar

Guests: Peggy Brown

Sally Cantwell

<u>TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION</u> <u>DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

NCLEX School Reports: Reviewed.

Utah Career College:

Becky Richards has a new position and will no longer be the nursing director at Utah Career College. Ms. Richards was requested to submit current vitae for the new director by mid-April; however, this has not been received. After a review of older vitae on file, it does not appear this individual has experience teaching in a nursing program and does not meet the educational preparation or experience criteria. Committee members recommend a letter be sent that based on the current vitae the Division has on file, this individual does not meet current criteria and the program will have until June 1, 2007 to hire an appropriate director. If the program can not hire an appropriate individual by June 1, 2007, further action may be necessary.

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Discussion regarding draft language for Nursing Education Programs:

Committee members discussed adding to the rules that if a program loses accreditation or fails the accreditation site visit, the program must notify the Division within 30 days of receiving the notification from the accrediting body.

Ms. Poe will send an electronic copy of the draft language and requested input and comments back by April 27, 2007.

Discussion regarding clinical hours:

Ms. Rice and Ms. Forster-Burke indicated there is a proposal for a state-wide computer tracking system for clinical sites. There would be a fee charged to be part of the program. Rural areas probably would not join the system because of the cost (charge is per student) and it would only include acute care facilities.

Committee members discussed alternative ways to obtain clinical hours. Ms. Forster-Burke stated that clinical placement should address clinical outcomes. The rules would have to list the outcome objectives. Committee members reviewed the paper "The Next Transformation: Clinical Education" and discussed new models for clinical hours. Committee members discussed observational hours versus hands on hours. There is concern that observing will not help build competence in the student. Rules do not address observational clinical hours. Ms. Poe indicated that the NCSBN has a whitepaper that addresses simulation and may have a paper regarding observational hours. Ms. Poe will research this issue and send out any information to Committee members for review

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

August 3, 2007

Diane Forster-Burke, Chair, Education Committee, Board of Nursing

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Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing